

THE LA TIERRA TRAILS + USERS



LAND AREA: 1,500 ACRES
LAND OWNERS: CITY OF SANTA FE
 SANTA FE PUBLIC SCHOOLS
 PRIVATE LAND OWNER

TRAILS LENGTH: 20+ MILES

ELEVATION RANGE: 350 FT.

DISTANCE FROM DOWNTOWN: 3 MILES

TRAIL USE:

The La Tierra Trails are a network of existing social trails located primarily on City-owned land in the Northwest Quadrant of the City of Santa Fe, about three miles from the Plaza. Santa Fe citizens and nearby residents use the trails in a variety of ways: walking, hiking, biking, riding horses, or riding motorized off highway vehicles.

Hikers and bikers utilize the entire site with over 20 miles of trails ranging in difficulty from easy to moderate. The trail network offers multiple experiences along ridges, arroyos, meadows and utility roads. In early May, it is the site of the annual 'La Tierra Torture' mountain bike race.

Equestrians use the entire site or traverse the site to connect to equestrian trails beyond the property boundary.

Dirt jumpers and BMX riders have labored in a central location (ca. 60 acres) on the site in a few concentrated areas to build a series of BMX jumps ('The Trails' - 1.5 acres), Dirt Jumping tracks ('The Trash Pit' - 6 acres), and free ride jumps. They maintain these jumps and tracks on a regular basis. Level of difficulties range from beginner to advanced. The BMX jump area is the site of the annual 'Trail Jam' - an informal jumping competition. The mountain biking and dirt jumping areas attract visitors from all over the Southwest.

Motorized Off Highway Vehicle users, or ATV and MX riders, come to the site to ride the 'Buckman Track', a 0.75 mile track with jumps located on ca. 30 acres in the southwest corner of the site off of NM-599. The track has been in existence since the 1970's for use by motorized vehicles.

Service Vehicles use limited access roads within the site on a periodic basis to maintain the existing utility infrastructure.



HIKER / TRAIL-RUNNER / DOG-WALKER

all seasons; predominantly spring + fall
 users are also: mountain bikers, dirt jumpers, and equestrians



MOUNTAIN BIKER

all seasons; predominantly spring, fall, and summer
 users are also: hikers, trail-runners, dog-walkers, and dirt jumpers



DIRT JUMPER / BMX RIDER:

all seasons; predominantly spring, fall, and summer
 users are also: hikers, dog-walkers, and dirt jumpers



ATV / MX RIDER:

all seasons; predominantly after rainfall or snow
 users are also: hikers, mountain bikers, dirt jumpers, or BMX riders



EQUESTRIAN / HORSEBACK RIDER:

all seasons; predominantly spring, fall, and summer
 users are also: hikers, trail-runners, and dog-walkers